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The Circulation of The Bulletin.

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GREAT FIRE LOSSES.

The recent great fires in the cities and loss of life have called attention to the showenly building methods and the increase of losses in the past

It is shown by the report of the National Conservation congress of 1949 that "the greatest source of waste of structural material, and the one most easily reduced, is that arising from Sees. The substitute of fire resisting underials for those now used will tend largely to put an end to The dre less of 1907, including property destroyed, mainte-nance of fire departments, amount of fire presultant above amount of losses, pretective agencies, additional cost of water supplies, etc., reached a total over \$456,485,900, about 50 per cent. of the total value of new building construction in that year. This amount therteen times the interest on the

otal national debt." It has also been figured out that the population of the United States in 1886 was 50,135,782. The average annual fire loss of the years 1580-1889 was 2101,224,626. The population had grown to about \$6,000,000 by 1908, acording to severnment estimates. The everage annual fire loss of 1966-1908 was \$219,968,315. Thus—the popula-tion of the United States increased per cent, while in the same period the fire loss increased 134 per cent. The Newark News, considering better methods, at least for the taxpoy-

innurance against fire is charged on the basis of the property

That would be all right if all propwas built affice and used affice. But how about a concrete dwelling-house and a frame factory using gas-eline in the work carried on? The property value of the one may double the other, but who pays the higgest taxes for the fire department and who needs therdepartment most?

Might it not be a good plan for the cities to do what they can to equalize the cost between dreproof and nonfireproof simply to encourage better

building and lower taxes?

DR. COOK BREAKS OUT AGAIN.

Doubtless some of the new members of the legislature are privately patting style in their "Mr. Speaker" which they may flud immediate use for max! week at Hartford.

The Chicago policeman who com-

world with observant eyes have returned to the benested and insisted upon of a controllien.

NEW ENGLAND QUALITY.

"New Englary! Quality" ought to be a first-class trade-mark and in selecting it for a slegan the Pilgrim Publication association, with head-quarters at Boston, has shown excellent judgment. New England business men and manufacturers stand before the world with good repute for showing integrity in their every-day transactions, and the three centuries which have rolled round since the Pilgoins landed on Plymonth Rock have continuously increased the fame of her mechanics for inventive skill and genius and her manufacturers for honest goods and a square deal.

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OUR FOREIGN TRADE.

The reports of the bureau of statisand labor show an increase in the denand for manufactured goods and a ocrease of the demand for foodstuffs Flour, wheat, corn, hams and shoul ers, bacon, fresh beef and live cattle a marked falling off as com pared with November, and the eleven months ending with November of last year, an exception to this being corn, which shows an increase for the I nonths, but a slight decrease for the onth of November. On the other hand, most manufac

ires show increased exportations both or Navember and the 11 months endng with November, Lumber, for in tance, shows exports of 3 1-2 million dollars in November, against 2 3-4 millions in November, 1969, and for ae 11 month's ending with November. I-2 million dollars, against 29 3-4 illion in the corresponding months

Agricultural implements show high furures both for November and the months ending with November. Upper leather shows an increase for the i months period; as do also lubriating oil, builders' hardware and cools, sheets and plates of fron and sicel, boots and shoes, automobiles cientific instruments, manufactures of ndia robber, steel rails, pipes and fitings, sole leather, wire, typewriters, tructural iron and steel, electrical machinery, metal working machiner, and many other articles.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Washington does not appear to b in need of more congressmen, but o

Down in Maine there is a boom in snowshoes. It is pleasant to think this is so far away

There is nothing the matter with Dr. look's nerve. The whole trouble seems to be with his mouth,

The old hoopskirt may come back, but there is no reason to think that t has the face to show itself The man who does not warry about

anything must have a steel-plated heart and well-stored stomach. Happy thought for today: Beauty used to be skin deep, but it is so thin

newadays that a good deal of it raise

The fact that Cornelius Vanderbilt

has bought six aeroplanes shows that ne intends to have company in his

Dissension and secession are said to

General Wood informs the country that the war scare is silly. This cannet be pleasant reading for Dickinson

ava. has been discovered in the ex-avations at Pompeli. From the atti-ude in which the remains were found, Dr. Cask came back in fairly good and the fact that jewelry was still in the case of the finger bones, feshless saintain the allence which would be

Private to the courts.

Private the second of the courts of the policy o adelphia Ledger.

The Old-Time Parlor. There used to be in almost every rural home in the country a sacred room—the parlor. Every reader is probably familiar with it, for it still exists, though not so universally as it did years ago, when no home in the land, in village hunder or pistured that the people here do not obey orders as the English people do, is informed Americans do not know how to obey orders.

A justice of the peace in the west has made a record of having married to couples in 26 minutes. An expense thinks they it have plenty of time to repeat.

North Adams, hiase, went dry by one vate, and then on a recount went wet by seven. This is a case where prohibition did not prohibit.

Ently Sanday has shown that a man this beaus how to sheal a base may

Charter Revision in Boston 3--How the People Were Fooled

BY A CITIZEN

elf-government by providing in their traft that all the mayor's appoint-ments as heads of departments should to subject to approval by the state took the elective and city council features should be board of aldermen had confirmed been appointments and the claim was made that names were considered wholly from a political standpoint and want. serit never thought of.

As a commission which examines andidates for offices in the public service on a supposedly strictly merit system it was urged that this board would consider appointments entirely on the question of fitness, and further bases are to commission would her, being a state commission would not be influenced at all by Boston politics. The mayor was given some added powers in being given the ap-pointing of the board of street com-missioners, a commission then elect-ive, and also allowed to veto appro-priation and loan bills in part rather than being compelled to either ap-prove or disapprove in whole.

To the average citizen, perhaps the most important of their recommendations were those affecting the elective system. On the theory that it took about two years for a man to familiarize himself with the manifold duties of mayor, a lengthening of that of-cial's term to four years was recommended. It was arranged that he might be recalled at the end of two years. The direct primary system, in split of its general satisfaction, was also done away with by an attempt to non-partizanize the city in having all the candidates for office run on nompartizanize the city in having all the candidates for office run on nompartizanize the city in having all the candidates for office run on nompartizanize the city in having all the candidates for office run on nompartizanize the city in having all the candidates for office run on nompartizanize the city in having all the candidates for office run on nompartizanize the city in having all the candidates for office run on nompartizanize the city in having all the candidates for office run on nompartizanize the city in having all the candidates for office run on nompartizanize the city in having all the candidates for office run on nompartizanize the city in having all the candidates for office run on nompartizanize the city in having all the candidates for office run on nompartizanize the city in having all the candidates for office run on nompartizanize the city in having all the candidates for office run on nompartizanize the city in having all the candidates for office run on nompartizanize the city in having all the candidates for office run on nompartizanize the city in having all the candidates for office run on nompartizanize the city in having all the candidates for office run on nompartizanize the city in having all the candidates for office run on nompartizanize the city in having all the candidates for office run on nompartizanize the city in having all the candidates for office run on nompartizanize the city in having all the candidates for office run on nompartizaniz To the average citizen, perhaps the

But when the tentative draft reached the state house it was handed over to the tender mercies of the politicians who proceeded to dissect it about as who proceeded to dissect it about as tenderly as a butcher cuts up a side of beef. They refused to stand for this, insisted upon that and there were about three months of pulling and hauling, until the friends of the original bill became so wearied that they were willing to agree to anything which would solve the problem.

This was at the session of 1909. This was at the session of 1909.

Having pointed out what they considered to be the weaknesses in the charter the reformers set to work to prescribe some old-fashioned manicipal medicine admittedly a triffe strong, but calculated to cure if religiously taken.

First of all, they abolished the common council, a body of 75 menabers, where oratory was indudant because the debate was reported officially and could be made useful for campaiga purposes and where log-rolling was prevalent and the politics played of the peanut variety. Not content with this however, they decided that the board of aldermen, with its 13 members, was too large, so they shaved this down to a bare nine. They also took most of the powers away from this remnant of the city government.

Then they carge to the mayor. With the cry of more responsibility still ringing in the voters' sure they proposed the most radical move against self-government by providing in their and the politicalness to work to see how little of it they could give the people a chance to decide. They draft that all the mayor's appoint-

people a chance to decide. The framed up one of the most remark-able referendums ever known. The

For example, they included under "Plan 2" a nomination by petition, signed by 5,000 voters, no party designations, four-year term for mayor and a single-chambered city council of nine members, or substantially the eform scheme. Against this the poli-icians devised "Plan 1." which wen-ack to the discarded convention sys-

charter passed the legislature and when the two plans were submitted to popular votes at the following state election the reform plan was approved. The backers of Plan 2 made a systematic campaign with meetings to show the value of the "people's plan" against the "plan of the bosses." The cry caught on, but the politicians only smiled when they heard how the vote came out. They could see shead a few months, and it only needed a very few to demonstrate how some sections of the charter would work out.

Boston, Dec. 23, 1910.

and admitting a burst of sunshine and But I have got the best of them. a rush of pure air. They have made a simply smear with vaseline the wood-living room of a tomb. In their child-nood the kitchen was the most comfortable place in the house; it was scrubbed every day, ventilated always. made light and airy and clean and hos-pitable while the ghastly forbidden precincts of the parlor were exposed to

The Flowing Bowl.

The man who scorns conviviality and finds no pleasure in a dinner par-ty made up of congenial persons who surround a well laid table and discuss a well planned banquet is like the man who has no love for music, fit for trea-Discension and secession are said to be disturbing the ranks of the boy scouts. At that the situation might be worse.

Who has no love to misse, it for treasure sometimes carried to such an excess that it infringes upon a man's valuable time, and, if he is indiscreet enough to ear and drink freely, injures his health. Governor-elect Dix of New York is quoted by the New York Hernild as saying that he does not eat of dinners and lunches, but talks, and early his three simple meals at home. Cone way to do it is to assess building for the support of the fire department of the fire that the opportunity to cat with the great man does not come so often to others around the table that they are forced to look upon the cateror's tri-umphs animoved, and steer their course past the fempiations of the "precious

the class of the finger bones, fleshiess for it centuries, it is inferred that she may be be be succeeded by the patience of the position in receiving him and his confessions of error and the ardor of the manual properties, he has treating to reply to Harmanean and the explain how his Emiliane Boyes same to tail such damaxing stories concerning his alleged trip to the receiving the unfertunate feature of this errolaviation is that it explains to the fact that he is dead to the problem of the service of the fact that he is dead to the problem of the service of the manual proved that the same time is confident to the fact that he is dead to the problem of the service of the manual proved that the same time is confident to the fact that he is dead to the problem of the manual proved that on the fact that he is dead to the problem of the manual proved that on the fact that he is the service in the fact that he is the fact that he is the service of the manual proved that on the fact that he is the fact that he is the fact that he is the service of the manual proved that the temptations of the "precious staff the vinters sell" as Ulysses passed to the deadly and the glowing for route belonging beyond the deadly and singing sirens.—Louisville Courier factors that on the fact that the fact that the fact that the fact that the service of the excavators. Thus, a Roman sentry was found—virtually pervise of the distribution to the distribution to the distribution to the distribution of the deadly and singing sirens.—Louisville Courier factors the temptations of the stoff the distribution of the deadly and singing sirens.—Louisville Courier factors the temptations of the stoff the deadly and singing sirens.—Louisville Courier factors the factor of the service of the factor of the service of the service of the manual proved that she deadly and the temptations of the deadly and singing sirens.—Louisville Courier factors the factor of the service of the service of the ork board of education to provide for be more thorough cleaning of the pubhis sensor buildings of that city. He says "There are 69 cities in America that are fighting tuberculosis and colds by eliminating dust from the classrooms by means of the vacuum cleaning system. New York is not one of the 68. There are the says of the 50 the 68. the 69. There are thousands of class-rooms in New York city in which a cloud of dust arises from the cracks cloud of dust arises from the cracks in the floors every time the children do a rapid march." It is not in New York city alone that there is dust in the tracks of the floors in the school-rooms. A generation ago the fact would not have excited comment. But it is different now. We are beginning to understand what dust means as a vehicle for the germs of tuberculosis and as a provocative of what is commonly called a cold. Manchester Unmonly called a cold. Manchester Un-

Checked by a Woman.

the floor. The sound of festivity seidem penetrated the gloom of this partor. At rare intervals distinguished visitors were received in it witnesses of wedding or funeral. It was never a pleasant room. It smelled damp and durry, the children stood in awe of it and yet it was their mother's pride. Happily the duy of the pentip, instruction is fast passing away. The children, going out into the bagger world with observant eyes have returned to the hemestess and wissews.

Checked by a Woman.

The new boarder stepped into the room and closed the door. The land-room and clos

An Important Service.

A forty-mile park between Baitimore and Washington is not needed to the man who have a washington is not needed to the park between Baitimore and washington is not needed to sunitary search not oftener than twice a year-during the inevitable spring and fall housecleaning.—Philadelphia try so forcibly as it does to the man

We seldem hear of the work which the revenue service does because there is little of the "pomp and circumstance" attached to it; but like the life saving service, it goes on doing good but blowing no horns to herald its performance.—Bridgeport Standard.

Meriden's Charter. With seventeen chaster amendmen proposed, one of them being an obti-new charter, the city of Meriden luits troubles before it at the comsession. As generally happens in an cases, some of the amendments trivial and others may be dangere of one of these the Waterbury Rep lican says that it may be wise or form granted or extended, or some solons who want to divide offices county caucus agree to vote for ciprocate." Unfortunately, this do not seem incredible to anyone who he watched the methods of haymaking of Capital Hill—Hartford Times. The long distance criffcism of the Waterbury Republican will not affect the merit of the petitions that have

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seen prepared for the coming se of the legislature relative to the pro-posed changes in the Meriden city charter. There are some changes which are necessary and they should not be held up either by petty politi-cal fights or jealousy of those who do not care enough about the welfare of the city to help the measures to pass. Great good can only be accomplished by the people of a community working ogether, and that's the principle that ought to govern any action to be taken in the city charter amendments. on the city ch: Meriden Journal.

White Man's Hope: Weight 235. Since the crushing overthrow of the aucasine race at Reno last July, hisory has paused. Bitter were the comories of glorious days of the white civilization. Tours was a gall, Marathon a wormwood. No Kipling sang, nor Dunne had power to charm. Even Alfred Austin was dumb. The world waited. Then, at the sunset of the year of defeat, a portent athwar a stormy was, Carl Morris, the new heavy-weight makes an angry glar-over the skies of Sapulpa, Oklahoma

bree months. He proclaims himself the hope of the white race." Hackensack, North Jimpson, Jehn

Ye fans, ye barkeeps, ye bookies noted in part:

Oh, joy! that from Sapulpa, Though Jeff could not come back, Comes something White with hooks to

The kibosh on the Black!
—Beston Transcript.

The Right of the Investor.

consumers but has not given a thought to investors, is pertinent. Since paternalism is the order of the day, why should not stockholders receive, say one-fifth as much consideration as in-

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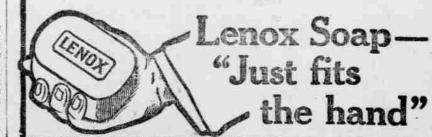
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TODAY

MATINEES

Headache, and Distress after Eating.

tem for making nominations, retained party designations. Left the mayor's term two years and made the city council one body with ward representation, 17 in all.

It formed a kind of self log-relling. There were few men outside of the professional politicians who would listen for a minuse to talk of reviving the convention system with its chance. The hope of the white race."

"Since then he has met many prize-there and put them to sleep with he punch that knocked daylights out f Hart."

backers of Caucasians; ye seem d bearers of the white man's bur-us; ye braves of the cracker barrrel ye sturdies of the post office bench; children of the sawdust; scientists of the squared circle—lift hearts and voices. Alrendy Hi Twombly, the bearded bard of the Backagawam, has dashed off these Pindaric dithyrambs, control in part

Paul Merton's remark that the gov-rament is very energetic in protect-ng the interests of labor, shippers and try so forribly as it does to the man brought up on the shore and familiar with what is going on in the way of trade and commerce on the water. Bridgeport has a fair estimate of the value of the revenue cutier and it fully endorses New London's idea as recently expressed by the Fay.

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